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### **Governor's Trade Mission advances energy ties with Enel Green Power**

SALT LAKE CITY (July 9, 2019) — Governor Gary R. Herbert and his energy advisor, Laura Nelson, expanded relations with Enel Green Power (EGP) during the trade mission to Italy, meeting with Antonio Cammisecra, Head of EGP, and visiting the world's oldest geothermal power plant in Tuscany.

Enel Green Power is the renewable company of the Enel Group, one of the world's leading integrated electricity and gas operators located in over 30 countries across five continents. The company's North America subsidiary operates the 25 megawatt Cove Fort geothermal power plant in Beaver County, which is the world's first large scale power generation facility to successfully combine geothermal with hydropower technology. The Governor recently recognized the site at his annual Energy Summit for its innovative deployment of new maintenance software technology, which will now increase efficiency across all of EGP's North American operations.

"Utah is dedicated to wise resource development, innovation, and clean energy exports," said Gov. Herbert. "We appreciate Enel's ongoing investment in our rural communities and look forward to exploring future opportunities with Mr. Cammisecra and his team to drive new solutions for renewable energy production and innovation in Utah for the greater national and global success."

On June 20, while in Rome, the delegation met Carlo Zorzoli, Head of Business Development for EGP for an overview of the company's global efforts, followed by a tour EGP's global control room and Enel creative space. The Governor and Dr. Nelson also sat down with Mr. Cammisecra to discuss Utah's expanding energy infrastructure and dynamic renewable scene.



“We had the pleasure to host at our headquarters Gov. Herbert and the Utah delegation,” said Antonio Cammisecra, Head of Enel Green Power. “The United States is a very important market for Enel Green Power and vice versa the United States can exploit EGP’s global expertise for the development of the renewable energy industry. It is through our Cove Fort hybrid-technology plant that we have found common ground with Governor Gary Herbert's holistic energy approach, sharing views on how to differentiate the state's energy mix through innovative and sustainable solutions.”

The following day, Laura Nelson traveled to Tuscany to learn about, and tour, the world’s oldest geothermal power plant operated by EGP. Last year, the Larderello operations turned 200 years old. The plant has an installed capacity of 0.8 GW, providing energy to more than 10,000 users including private homes, public services and industrial activities.

“Enel Green Power’s global leadership in geothermal energy dates back centuries, and we are proud to continue to strengthen our collaborative partnership that has allowed Utah to become the new U.S. epicenter for advancing innovative geothermal production and technologies,” said Laura Nelson. “The Governor’s Office of Energy Development is pleased to have played an integral role in attracting Enel to Utah by implementing the Governor’s wise policy approach that promotes a business-friendly environment, while accelerating innovative solutions for an affordable, reliable, and cleaner energy outcome.”

At 72 MW, Utah currently ranks third in the U.S. for geothermal production. Last year, the state expanded its national foothold for geothermal innovation when the University of Utah was selected by the U.S. Department of Energy to receive up to \$140 million in funding to advance next generation geothermal technologies.

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### **About Governor’s Office of Energy Development (OED)**

**Web:** [energy.utah.gov](http://energy.utah.gov)

Governor Gary R. Herbert recognizes energy as one of the four cornerstones of Utah’s strength, along with education, job creation, and self-determination. In recognition of this priority, the Governor’s Office of Energy Development (OED) was created in 2011 to advance the responsible development of Utah’s energy and minerals sector to provide significant and lasting value to the state through the provision of affordable, reliable and sustainable energy.

### **About Enel Green Power**

Enel Green Power is the Enel Group’s global business line dedicated to the development and operation of renewables across the world, with a presence in Europe, the Americas, Asia, Africa and Oceania. Enel Green Power is a global leader in the green energy sector with a managed capacity of more than 43 GW across a generation mix that includes wind, solar, geothermal and hydropower, and is at the forefront of integrating innovative technologies into renewable power plants.

